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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application No.: 10/822,477	§	Examiner:	Hu, Jinsong
Filed: April 12, 2004	§	Group/Art Unit:	2154
Inventors:	§	Atty. Dkt. No:	5681-76200
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Title: System and Method for	§		
Application Resource	§		
Utilization Metering and	§		
Cost Allocation in a Utility	§		
Computing Environment	§		
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF NOVEMBER 21, 2007**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of November 21, 2007, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.